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In re application of:

Bennarsten et al.

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60606 **GROUP ART UNIT: 3761**

SERIAL NO.:

09/733,064

EXAMINER: M. Mendoza

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In response to the Office Action dated September 23, 2002, Applicants herewith amend the application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

The paragraph beginning at page 10, line 8 has been amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 has been amended as follows:

- 1. (Amended) A high-frequency oscillator (HFO) ventilator comprising;
- a first gas conduit having an opening adapted for gas connection with a patient's airways and a bias gas flow inlet and a bias flow outlet disposed to define therebetween a flow path for a bias gas within the first conduit;
- an oscillator for inducing pressure oscillations in gas within the first conduit to move said gas along a path intersecting the flow path for a bias gas alternately into and out of the opening at a predetermined high-frequency, said oscillator comprising an arrangement for alternately introducing a volume of additional gas, in addition to said bias gas into